

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Lars BLANK, et al.
Title: METHOD OF IMPROVING
BIOMASS YIELD OF LACTIC
ACID BACTERIAL CULTURES
Appl. No.: 10/623,578
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Examiner: Kade Ariani
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The extension fee for response within the third month is \$1,050.00.

The above-identified fees of \$1,050.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to

Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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